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Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-identified application, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted:

In the Specification:

Please replace paragraph 17, bridging pages 9 and 10, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The present invention enhances existing software providing automated playback of pre-recorded phrases; however, this action can be expanded to include any action the computer is capable of executing via the use of scripts. Indicators (Markers) appear on Controls that configured for Responses.